responsibility of the State Governments/UT Administrations. The information regarding cases filed, persons arrested, chargesheeted, convicted and released on bail, under the POTA, 2002 in various States/ UTs of the country, is not centrally maintained in this Ministry.

Arrest in connection with Gujarat riots

835. SHRI R.K. ANAND:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether individuals belonging to VHP, Bajrang Dal and RSS have been arrested after the incidents of Gujarat riots after Godhra train carnage;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the status of cases registered against them in the criminal courts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (c) A total of 4252 offences have been registered, charge sheets have been filed in different courts of law in 2014 cases and 23,777 accused have been arrested in substantive offences which include certain individuals of VHP and Bajrang Dal also. The cases are in various stages of investigation and trail.

Labs in the country

836. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
MISS MABEL REBELLO:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and locations of key Government Forensic, Fingerprint, Arsenic and Biological labs that are involved in solving crime in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that these Government institutions are located in different parts of the country;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to build more such labs in all corners of India;

(d) if not, whether Government realizes that often key evidence in a crime gets destroyed during transporation; and

(e) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (c) A list of Forensic Science Laboratories which are functioning under Central Government and various State Governments is given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below). The cases related to arsenic poisoning and biological exhibits are also handled in Forensic Science Laboratories.

The Central Government want that more forensic science laboratories are established in various States. With that end in view, funds have been allocated under the 11th Finance Commission to various States. For instance Rs. 9.12 crores have been allocated for new Regional/ State FSLs in the States of Goa, Orissa, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh. Additionally Rs. 49.80 crores have been allocated for establishment of 415 Mobile Forensic Science Laboratories in various districts of the States.

(d) and (e) During transporatation the forensic exhibits found at crime scene do not get damaged if they are properly handled, collected and sent to the Forensic Science Laboratories without causing much delay.

Statement

List of Forensic Science Laboratories functioning in the country

(i) Laboratories functioning under the Central Government :—

1. Central Forensic Science Laboratory, Chandigarh
2. Central Forensic Science Laboratory, Hyderabad
3. Central Forensic Science Laboratory, Kolkata
4. Government Examiner of Questioned Documents, Hyderabad
5. Government Examiner of Questioned Documents, Kolkata
6. Government Examiner of Questioned Documents, Shimla

7. National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science, New Delhi

8. Central Forensic Science Laboratory, CBI, New Delhi.

9. Central Finger Print Bureau functioning under National Crime Records Bureau

(ii) Laboratories functioning under the State Governments:—

1. Forensic Science Laboratory, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad
2. Forensic Science Laboratory, Assam, Guwahati
3. Forensic Science Laboratory, Bihar, Patna
4. Forensic Science Laboratory, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, New Delhi
5. Forensic Science Laboratory, Gujarat, Ahmedabd
6. Forensic Science Laboratory, Haryana, Madhuban
7. Forensic Science Laboratory, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
8. Forensic Science Laboratory, Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar
9. Forensic Science Laboratory, Karnataka, Bangalore
10. Forensic Science Laboratory, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
11. Forensic Science Laboratory, Madhya Pradesh, Sagar
12. Forensic Science Laboratory, Maharashtra, Mumbai
13. Forensic Science Laboratory, Manipur, Pangei
14. Forensic Science Laboratory, Meghalaya, Shillong
15. Forensic Science Laboratory, Nagaland, Dimapur
16. Forensic Science Laboratory, Orissa, Bhubaneswar
17. Forensic Science Laboratory, Punjab, Chandigarh
18. Forensic Science Laboratory, Rajasthan, Jaipur
19. Forensic Science Laboratory, Tamil Nadu, Chennai
20. Forensic Science Laboratory, Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow
21. Forensic Science Laboratory, West Bengal, Kolkata
22. Forensic Science Laboratory, Tripura, Agartala
23. Forensic Science Laboratory, Chhattisgarh, Raipur
24. Forensic Science Laboratory, Mizoram, Aizawal